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SUBJECT: PRIME MINISTER TO VISIT KAVALA

1. BOTH THESSALONIKI PAPERS OF JUNE 26 FRONTPAGE VISIT TO KAVALA JUNE 28 BY PRIME MINISTER PAPADPOULOS TO ATTEND FINAL PARADE OF NATO EXERCISE " ALEXANDER EXPRESS" AND POSSIBLY " TO SPEAK AT OPEN RALLY OF INHABITANTS OF KAVALA". ACCORDING TO " ELLINIKOS VORRAS" BANNER HEADLINE, KAVALA MAY BE " FIRST STOP" IN POLITICAL CAMPAIGN BY PAPADPOULOS AIMED AT JULY 29 REFERENDUM.

2. BOTH PAPERS REPORT THAT PM WILL BE ACCCOMPANIED BY "302 JOURNALISTS AND MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES FROM ALL COUNTRIES OF EUROPE". " VORRAS" SPECULATES FURTHER IN LEAD- IN COMMENT THAT SPEECH BY PM WILL " DEAL MAINLY WITH NEED FOR REFERENDUM AND RECENT POLITICAL CHANGES". KAVALA RELEASE CONFIRMS THAT PM WILL ARRIVE THERE BY HELICOPTER AT 0900 JUNE 28 ACCOMPANIED BY GENERAL ANGELIS.

COMMENT: IN PAST, LOCAL PRESS HAS TENDED TO OVER-PLAY PROSPECTS FOR MAJOR SPEECHES HERE BY PM. CONGEN BELIEVES NATO EXERCISE PROBABLY UNLIKELY FORUM FOR POLITICAL SPEECH.
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